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patent application of:

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ENGINE ANTIFREEZE COMPOSITIONS)

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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 5, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks.

Applicant files concurrent with this response a Request for Extension of Time for responding to this Office Action. Additionally, please provide any further extensions of time that may be necessary and charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account 23-3030, but do not include any payment of issue fees that are or may become due.

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AMENDMENTS

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Amended) An engine coolant composition comprising:
an organic acid component or salt thereof, said organic acid component comprising adipic acid, an aromatic carboxylic acid, and optionally a C₉-C₁₂ aliphatic dicarboxylic acid;
an anticorrosion additive including molybdate, and at least one of mercaptobenzothiazole, benzotriazole, tolyltriazole, nitrite, nitrate, and silicate;

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